



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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July 5, 2012

Mr. Gary F. Weidinger
Mrs. Karen Irons Weidinger
59 Cross Creek Road
Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Re: Applications for Change under Ground Water Certificate No.'s 6798-A(E) and G3-01014C(B)

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Weidinger:

In response to your request, you are hereby granted an extension to put the water to full beneficial use for the reason(s) below:

According to your request, you have found it necessary to significantly modify your vine selection due to the cold weather killing your current grapes. You initially propose to plant several test plots and following that with a mass replanting of an acceptable crop. This process is anticipated to take several years. In review of your request for extension, it appears you have made significant progress in putting the water to beneficial use. Your request is for a reasonable and short period of time. We will grant you an additional three years to complete your project.

The new deadline to submit your *Proof of Appropriation of Water* is December 1, 2015.

Water use data shall be recorded weekly and maintained by the property owner for a minimum of five years. The maximum rate of diversion/withdrawal and the annual total volume shall be submitted to the Department of Ecology by January 31st of each calendar year.

WAC 173-173 describes the requirements for data accuracy, device installation and operation, and information reporting. It also allows a water user to petition the Department of Ecology for modifications to some of the requirements.

Recorded water use data shall be submitted via the Internet. To set up an Internet reporting account, contact the Eastern Regional Office. If you do not have Internet access, you can still submit hard copies by contacting the Eastern Regional Office for forms to submit your water use data.

Department of Ecology personnel, upon presentation of proper credentials, shall have access at reasonable times, to the project location, and to inspect at reasonable times, records of water use, wells, diversions, measuring devices and associated distribution systems for compliance with water law.



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YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this action to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this document. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal, you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this document:

- File your appeal and a copy of this document with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this document on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) Email is not accepted.

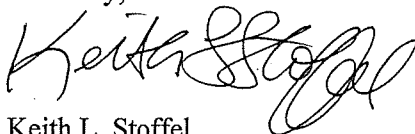
You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
Pollution Control Hearings Board 1111 Israel Road SW Suite 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	Pollution Control Hearings Board PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: <http://www.eho.wa.gov>.
To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website:
<http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser>.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Tolleson at 509-329-3526.

Sincerely,



Keith L. Stoffel
Section Manager
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Eastern Regional Office

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Enclosures: *Proof of Appropriation of Water*
Your Right to Be Heard